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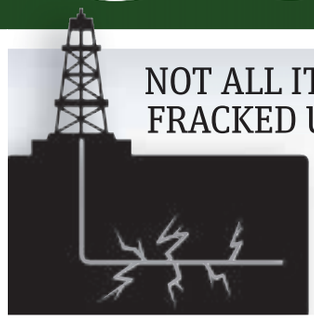

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One side said it happens all the time, while the other was stunned at the audacity of it.

Just 27 minutes before a Thursday afternoon appearance by provincial NDP leader Andrea Horwath, Ontario's deputy premier dropped a bombshell.

"I just wanted to let you know that Deb Matthews will be attending Andrea's Horwath's event at 3 p.m. at the Covent Garden Market," a media release said.

Sure enough, Horwath answered questions as Matthews sat at a table and listened in from behind the media scrum.

Horwath said the Liberal plan to build high-speed rail between London and Toronto is jumping ahead of the need to improve local transit first.

"The bottom line is the government has failed in terms of helping cities with their existing transportation infrastructure," she said.

Meanwhile, Matthews claimed high-speed rail would breed jobs in the region.

"I've spoken to a lot of people who said that is a true game changer," she said. "Companies who are looking to locate in Ontario would consider London if we had that high-speed rail that would not consider London without it."

QUAI DU WIN

Beth Pfeffer of Quai du Vin Estate Winery in St. Thomas enjoys the first day of selling her products at the Covent Garden Farmers Market on Thursday. The provincial government recently changed regulations to allow sales at markets to promote provincial wineries. Story on page 3. SCOTT TAYLOR/METRO

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Covent Garden

Elgin winery pulls cork on farmers market sales

It was a beautiful Thursday morning to stroll over to the Covent Garden Farmers Market and, perhaps, take in a nice merlot or shiraz.

After the Ontario government revamped regulations, wine sales by provincial growers are now a go at markets and London hasn't been left behind.

For St. Thomas winery Quai de Vin, it's a golden opportunity to create awareness of their reds and whites.

"It's a local winery, and here we are at a local farmer's market," said Beth Pfeffer.

"It's a good way to introduce ourselves to the region.

"We do sell at the store at the winery, so this is a good way to get out to the community."

One man who made a purchase said he thinks it's a good idea to have wine available outside the LCBO and boutique stores like the Wine Rack. He also thinks vendors will be vigilant about who their customers are.

Right on, said Pfeffer. Everyone who works for her winery has their Smart Serve Responsible Alcohol Beverage Service Training Program.

"We ID anyone below 25," she said.

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What are believed to be mallard ducks are nesting and have laid eggs outside the London courthouse among hundreds of cigarette butts. SCOTT TAYLOR/METRO

Courthouse ducks facing daily dangers

All aflutter. Smokers endangering birds that made nests by the front of the building

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Ducks nesting by the front entrance of the London courthouse are facing the daily prospect that smoking may kill them.

That's because the planters they've decided to call home are commonly used as ashtrays by hundreds of smokers. One man has already stubbed a cigarette butt through one of the eggs, said Gerry Brennan.

Brennan, the courthouse's site supervisor, has taken on the unofficial job of watching over the ducks.

Since they arrived about three weeks ago, fashioning nests in large planters between the building's entrance and Queens Avenue, Brennan has been taking frequent trips outside to check on his feathered friends.

But, he said, there's little that can be done if someone decides to hurt them or destroy their eggs.

"Even the camera I have at the front isn't trained over there," he said. "It's trained on the front door.

"We hoped we'd be able to find out who did it, but we couldn't."

Brennan has even stopped traffic on Queens Avenue to allow one of the mother ducks and her chicks to cross safely.

But as he spoke Thursday, numerous people were leaning against a planter smoking within a few feet of one of the ducks.

Brian Salt, founder of Salthaven wildlife rescue, said mallard ducks will often "make a nest in a high-traffic area thinking that the risk potential from humans is less than it is from their natural predators."

The laws:

- Mallard ducks, their eggs and their nests are protected under a federal law dealing with migratory birds.
- "It is illegal to destroy or knowingly disturb a migratory bird or its nest," Environment Canada said. "If a person is doing something that could be considered as disturbing a migratory bird or its nest or eggs, it would be an offence under the Migratory Birds Regulations."

Fanfest beer tent. Local rising country star to open for Brett Kissel

A London name has been added to the list of people taking to the concert stage during the Memorial Cup.

Rising country music star Genevieve Fisher will be the opening act for Brett Kissel on May 24 in the Fanfest beer tent.

The show is 19-plus and tickets are $25. They're available online at mastercardmemorialcup.ca or by phone at 519-681-0800.

Fisher, 23, has released two independent albums and earned two Canadian Country Music Association Award nominations. METRO

London native and country music artist Genevieve Fisher. COURTESY CHRISTINE MEGIT

Hey, batter, batter, swing! Dreamers goes pink for Save the Ta-Tas tourney

Batters are stepping up to the plate for a big cause Saturday at London Optimist Sports Centre, better known as Dreamers, on Exeter Road.

The Save the Ta-Tas softball tournament will be on all day, raising money for breast cancer. The tourney started five years ago with only five teams on the diamonds. This year there will be 44.

Along with ball games, the day includes a 50/50 draw, raffle prizes, merchandise and more.

Organizer and Dreamers general manager Linda Eckert slates the fundraiser for the Saturday before Mother's Day every year.

"Everyone wears pink and has a boobie team name and every team is guaranteed at least three games," she said.

Eckert's even arranged for Imperial Stormtroopers — in all pink, no less — to storm the complex on unicycles.

For the kids, there will be face painting from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and again from 3 to 4 p.m.

To date, the tourney has raised just less than $24,000. SCOTT TAYLOR/METRO

London teen develops human emotions test

Science. Psychological exam part of Canadian entry in global event

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Dan Alferov, who has developed a scientific study to test human emotions, will be showcasing his work at the International Science and Engineering Fair in Los Angeles. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

Imagine this: What if a computer could accurately read how you feel?

There's a teenager in London who's teaching them all about it.

Dan Alferov, 16, a volunteer researcher at Western University's Brain and Mind Institute, has made an astonishing breakthrough.

While discussing mental illness in psychology class at north London's A.B. Lucas Secondary School, he wondered if there could be a test, using "pure science", for how someone is feeling.

He wanted a more reliable way than just asking, "How do you feel?"

It's all about the face, Alferov has decided.

"Faces are so integral to how we communicate," he said. "Most of our emotional experience is in the face."

Alferov's idea relies on the visual perception test "binocular rivalry," which uses two conflicting images, seen at the same time.

Presenting two pictures of different facial expressions, and recording which one the test subject says is the most noticeable is step one.

But — and here's where it gets really interesting — studies show that a person's emotional state will affect their reaction to the test. So, if they're happy or angry, it will change their answers.

Check those answers against research collated from other people's tests and it will show you how that person really feels.

Alferov drew up a formal psychological study that uses that idea to track emotions.

He's even included factors like the effect of sad or happy music.

Because emotional states are part of mental health diagnoses, it could help doctors develop a test for some mental illnesses.

It could also have implications for how humans and computers interact in future, Alferov says.

Team Canada

- Dan Alferov will be taking his work to the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in Los Angeles next week. He's one of 12 young people representing Canada at the event.
- It's the world's largest pre-college science fair. Last year, Team Canada brought home 25 awards, including Alferov's third-place award of $1,000 in the behavioural and social sciences competition.

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June 12 election. Final Liberal candidate for London announced

The Liberals now have a candidate in all four ridings in London.

After Premier Kathleen Wynne called a snap election on June 12, the riding associations moved quickly to get people in place. On Sunday, their only known candidate was sitting MPP Deb Matthews in London North Centre.

By Thursday, the name of the final candidate had been released: Serge Lavoie in Elgin-Middlesex-London.

He was born in Quebec City, raised in London, and has lived in St. Thomas for 14 years.

For five years, he's been president and chief executive officer of the Southwest Economic Alliance (SWEA), an economic development organization made up of municipalities, private sector companies and post-secondary institutions. He has also been head of seven other national and provincial associations including the Canadian Plastics Industry Association, the Canadian Community Newspapers Association and the Canadian Health Food Association. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

Serge Lavoie CONTRIBUTED

Key faces

London Liberal candidates:

- London North Centre: Deb Matthews (incumbent)
- London West: Nick Steinburg
- Elgin-Middlesex-London: Serge Lavoie
- London Fanshawe: Marcel Marcellin

Green Party. Candidates ready for conversation

The Green Party is ready to fight for votes in London's four provincial ridings, with all candidates selected for the June 12 election.

And it's not necessarily about winning, said London North Centre hopeful Kevin Labonte.

The Greens are hoping to get "one or two seats" but they also want to join the political conversation and "hold the government to account."

As well as Labonte, the GPO is offering Gary Brown in London West, Will Sorrell in London-Fanshawe and John Fisher in Elgin-Middlesex-London.

Asked about the issues in the campaign, Labonte pointed to transportation.

"High-speed rail, in my opinion, is going to be one of the things talked about," he said. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

Signs of the Memorial Cup hockey tournament and all the fanfare that will surround it from May 16-25 are beginning to crop up in downtown London. This sign on a Talbot Street sidewalk points people to the intersection of York Street where booths for Fanfest will soon start taking shape. ANGELA MULLINS/METRO

Weather holds the key to tourism victory

Big events on tap. Memorial Cup only sure thing to be big draw: Tourism chief

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All the pieces of the tourism puzzle are in place, but Mother Nature will ultimately decide if summer 2014 is a hit or a miss.

Weather is the great unknown for tourism, says Tourism London general manager John Winston, who sees the Memorial Cup in May and the 2014 Canadian Pacific Women's Open Golf Championship in August as the crown jewels of the summer season.

But even with those surefire events, a troubled economy and lousy weather can scuttle even the best-laid plans.

"The economic conditions are not exactly stellar, so we expect there will not be a significant increase or decrease in visitations," Winston said. "Weather will be a big determining factor, too. It was a (terrible) winter, as you know, but if the weather is good we should see good, robust visitations.

"If the weather is crappy — and that's what the prediction is — it will have an impact on the numbers of people that visit the city."

Down the road, the city will play host to the Canadian Country Music Week in 2016 and Winston said there are a few other big fish London is trying to land.

"We actually are looking at a couple of major national events," Winston said. "We're in the process of developing the business case and looking at the bid documents to determine how viable they are."

At a glance

Some upcoming London festivals :

- Downtown London Fan-Fest (tied to Memorial Cup): May 15-24
- FLUX London Dance Festival: May 22-25
- London Fringe Festival: June 3-14
- Fanshawe Dragon Boat Festival: June 14
- International Food Festival: June 20-22

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Is the real cost of fracking

Metro wraps up its look at the controversial practice.
Alberta couple blames nearby operations for hair loss, nosebleeds

CAM TUCKER
Metro in Vancouver

Nielle Hawkwood began noticing that her hair was falling out about four years ago. She also began experiencing skin irritation — as did her husband, Howard — as well as nosebleeds.

Two years ago, she was diagnosed with alopecia, which causes significant hair loss.

"The dermatologist said something has affected my immune system," said Nielle, during a visit in April to the couple's 456-hectare cattle ranch nestled amongst the rolling brown hills north of Calgary. They have been there for 34 years and it's been in Howard's family since 1972.

Both Nielle and Howard believe their recent health problems are the result of an increase in fracking wells being drilled in the area — 110 in the past four years and another 39 projected for this year. The closest is four kilometres from their ranch.

They assert that the hair loss, skin irritation and nosebleeds did not exist before the rise of fracking in the area.

For its part, Lochend Industry Producers Group (LIPG), which consists of four different oil and gas companies active in the area, says there has been no water contamination and that the risk of water or air contamination to people living within 10 kilometres from a fracking well is "exceedingly" small.

The companies set surface casings — a concrete and steel barrier that line the well to prevent fracking fluid from entering the ground water — to 600 metres, double the required regulatory depths in the Lochend area.

As well, the group says, the productive fracking zone is approximately 2,200 metres below the ground, far below a typical water well that sits at around 45 metres deep.

But the health issues raised by the Hawkwoods could prove a cautionary tale for residents and industry in Northeast B.C., where a massive expansion of shale gas fracking is underway.

"I think those are fair and legitimate questions that the public are asking," said Geoff Morrison, the manager of B.C. operations for the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, about health and environmental concerns.

"We're trying to do an improved job of reassuring the public about our practices so they can come to reasonable conclusions about safety.

"Social licences have two components: One is doing the right thing and being regulated in the proper way, and the other is communications. For us, in B.C. … we've been well-regulated and are doing the right thing."

A recent study by the Council of Canadian Academies found human health and well-being may be affected by the various environmental effects resulting from shale gas development.

"Health impacts are not well understood and additional research is required," the report concluded.

Metro requested an interview with Alberta's Ministry of Health about any health complaints near the Hawkwoods' ranch and related to fracking, but a spokesperson was not made available.

The Hawkwoods, however, aren't only worried about their own health.

Last spring and summer, the Hawkwoods say 18 of their cows died, while seven others appeared thin and unhealthy, and did not calve.

A necropsy of one female bovine conducted last April — the document of the testing was viewed by two Metro reporters — noted the cause of death was undetermined, but the Hawkwoods believe water contamination was the cause and fracking the culprit.

The sudden deaths of some of the Hawkwood's cows not only has a financial impact — each cow is worth about $1,800 — but also to the reputation of his ranch.

LIPG points out that it receives very few concerns and most of those are focused on increased traffic, dust and noise associated with increased activity. They say member companies take complaints very seriously and the majority of concerns are answered to the complainant's satisfaction.

"There has been a very small group of residents who individually and collectively have expressed their opposition to resource development and we continue to work with them to address their concerns," said LIPG in an email.

However, with their growing concern over health and environmental effects, the Hawkwoods have contemplated moving away from their ranch, which has been in their family for five decades.

"I'm a little bit upset about it. So where do I go? I love living in the area."

Howard and Nielle Hawkwood MATT KIELTYKA/METRO IN VANCOUVER

Howard Hawkwood has experienced skin irriation, which he believes was caused by fracking activity near his ranch. A study by the Council of Canadian Academies found "additional research is required" on health impacts of fracking. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

Call for a moratorium

The Hawkwoods are among a group of Alberta residents who have issued an open letter to Premier Dave Hancock demanding a moratorium on horizontal fracking, similar to bans in place in Quebec, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland and Labrador.

Pits of dead moose and loss of wildlife habitat

A pit, one of many along the Alaska Highway, contains the carcass of a moose. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO IN VANCOUVER

If you pull over on northeastern B.C.'s Alaska Highway and drive a few hundred metres into the bush, you'll smell it first. Then you'll see flies buzzing over a deep pit. It is filled with decomposing moose carcasses.

These pits dot the highway, said Carl Gitscheff of the B.C. Wildlife Federation — the final resting places of the large animals killed by the high traffic of trucks and transport trailers required by the gas industry. He estimates that more than a dozen moose are killed daily.

While Gitscheff, a trapper and hunter in the region, hasn't noticed any mutations or internal health problems in the animals, the gas industry's massive footprint has carved out crucial pieces of wildlife habitat.

They're competing for land because good oil and gas country, he says, is also good wildlife country.

"When you have a geological formation that makes coal and oil and gas, for whatever reason it's also good for wildlife."

Pipeline right of ways can destroy wildlife connections between land and water, he said. He added that one solution would be boring underground to build instead of digging the surface.

Exploration activity can destroy trees and scare away female animals who nest in them, leaving young marten and fisher to die.

"Companies should be obligated to mitigate this. Who's going to push that? The public." EMILY JACKSON/METRO IN VANCOUVER

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- **Photo gallery.** For a tour of the Hawkwood ranch near Cochrane, Alta., visit metronews.ca.

our health?

Future of fracking

'We can do better'

There's a prevailing sense in the north that no matter what, companies will frack the land to get to the gas.

Regardless of where people fall on the spectrum between welcoming economic growth and wanting to stop fracking for fear of side effects on health and the land, they all seem to believe one thing: If development is going to happen, it can be done better.

On the relationship between companies and communities

"Can we do better? Absolutely."

— Geoff Morrison, manager of B.C. operations for the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers

On where pipelines are placed and wildlife impact studies

"We have science, we have technology, we can do a better job. There's no doubt about it, and it's to the industry's benefit to do a better job."

— Carl Gitscheff of the B.C. Wildlife Federation

On B.C.'s striving to be a world leader in environmental practices

"We can harvest the resources we have and leave a lighter footprint. We can do better. We have that opportunity here in British Columbia."

— Fort St. John, B.C. mayor Lori Ackerman

EMILY JACKSON/METRO IN VANCOUVER

The best of the best?

"We in British Columbia do fracking better than anybody else in the world."

B.C. Premier Christy Clark

B.C. Premier Christy Clark is a staunch supporter of fracking. THANDI FLETCHER/METRO IN VANCOUVER

Cracks in foundation

Report on safety. B.C. unmoved as rest of the country remains fractured on fracking

MATT KIELTYKA
Metro in Vancouver

There are mounting calls for British Columbia to join other provinces and ease its foot off the liquefied natural gas (LNG) pedal to better study the health and environmental impacts of fracking.

The Council of Canadian Academies (CCA) last week released a report concluding that there isn't enough scientific study about the impacts of fracking to declare it safe.

The independent report specifically cited concerns about well integrity, emissions and the possibility of water contamination.

Quebec, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland and Labrador have all had similar concerns and placed moratoriums on the practice.

But the B.C. government has refused to do the same.

"I don't agree with [the CCA]," Rich Coleman, the minister responsible for LNG, told media. "[The report] does not give me any cause for concern because I know we already study this on a regular basis. We track it on a regular basis and we know what our stats are. I think we have it pretty much right."

Lack of confidence

Not everyone shares the government's confidence.

The proposed TransCanada North Montney Mainline project in northeast B.C. would see a 301-kilometre pipeline carry natural gas through Halfway River First Nation territory.

"The elders look out their back window and that line will be right there," said Halfway River Chief Darlene Hunter. "It's just like me coming into your backyard and ripping up your place and being OK with that."

Striking a balance between economic development and health concerns has been a challenge for many First Nations, according to Prophet River Chief Lynette Tsakoza.

"Right now it's a big concern," Tsakoza said. "Every nation wants economic development, and at the same time we're trying to fight for our territory, our environment and our water. Everything."

Fears around fracking

Dr. Warren Bell, a family physician in Salmon Arm, B.C. and founding member of the Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment, believes the fears around fracking are justified.

"There's abundant evidence in the Eastern States where fracking has been going on for some time. You've heard of a burning drinking water scenario, and that's because chemicals have come up far, far away from the well site simply because in this process of fracturing, you allow gases to escape. Methane plus the chemicals used in fracking, some of which are carcinogens, are starting to appear in places they shouldn't be."

The province has commissioned its own human health assessment into oil and gas development in northeast B.C., which is currently underway by a company called Intrinsik Environmental Services.

The findings are expected to be handed over to the Ministry of Health sometime this summer.

Fort St. John Mayor Lori Ackerman, who wants to see increased air monitoring in her city, said the community welcomes the study.

"If there are issues, then necessity is the mother of all invention and let's take a look at how we can correct that," Ackerman said. "If we don't have baseline [air quality] information, then this is a way to get it, through this study."

Critics, however, are concerned the findings may fall on deaf ears.

The NDP Opposition has accused the provincial government of undermining the environment with regulation changes that allow for gas development on protected agricultural and park lands.

The Liberals also attempted to scrap the environmental assessment process for sweet natural gas plants in April.

But those plans were reversed within hours after government and industry reps were ejected from an LNG conference hosted by shocked and angry First Nations leaders in Fort Nelson.

Forced to apologize

Environment Minister Mary Polak was forced to apologize for "failing to discuss the amendment with First Nations prior to its approval."

West Coast Environmental Law Association lawyer Anna Johnston warned the steps amount to "a slide towards environmental deregulation."

That hasn't stopped the government from trying to reassure the public that fracking — so integral to B.C.'s economic outlook — is safe.

"We in British Columbia do fracking better than anybody else in the world," Premier Christy Clark told Metro after announcing an LNG trade mission to Asia on April 30. "We learn from what we do here because, in 50 years of fracking, there hasn't been a single reported case of water contamination in British Columbia. That's a pretty good record."

WITH FILES FROM THANDI FLETCHER

Tim's says Doug, not mayor, spotted at Toronto location

Toronto Coun. Doug Ford during a Toronto City Council meeting at city hall last November. AARON VINCENT ELKAIM/GETTY IMAGES FILE

Rob in rehab? Coffee chain 'confirmed' Doug Ford was at restaurant on Tuesday, but refuses to release images

Tim Hortons has "confirmed" it was Doug Ford — not the mayor — who visited a franchise location in the Junction on Tuesday morning, a spokesperson said on Thursday.

Michelle Robichaud, manager of public relations for the coffee chain, said employees at the west-end Tim Hortons reviewed video from security cameras and concluded it was Councillor Ford who attended the restaurant while Mayor Rob Ford is purportedly in rehab.

Tim Hortons is refusing to release images from its cameras to prove Rob Ford wasn't there.

"It is, for sure, Doug," said Robichaud. "That's all I want to say right now — that it was reviewed internally and we can confirm it's Doug."

Rob Ford announced he was going to rehab last week to deal with an "alcohol problem," and has reportedly made calls to a Toronto Sun columnist from a treatment facility.

Sixteen-year-old Cayla Clarkson, however, claims she saw the mayor outside the Tim Hortons near Dundas St. W. and Clendenan Ave. Tuesday around 9 a.m.

A Tim Hortons employee who would not share her name also told the Star the mayor came into the restaurant that morning and ordered coffee and a sandwich.

In the days since the mayor took a leave of absence and said he is going to rehab, there have been several claimed Ford sightings in disparate locations, including Hamilton, Richmond Hill and the Homewood Health Centre in Guelph.

Speaking to reporters Thursday, Doug Ford said his brother is "nowhere near the GTA." His exact location has not been disclosed.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

'People tried to stop it.' Woman killed by bear at oilsands site wasn't alone

A union official says a woman killed by a bear at one of Canada's major oilsands sites was with several workers who tried to scare the animal away.

The 36-year-old Suncor employee was an instrument technician, who was doing electrical work at a job site near Fort McMurray, Alta., when the bear attacked her Wednesday.

"It was ... seven people that were working in a group area and she was attacked by this bear out of that group and dragged off," Scott Doherty, a spokesman for Unifor, told The Canadian Press.

"People tried to stop it and do everything they could. Obviously they are fairly horrified at what they saw and witnessed."

Doherty said the union does not believe the workers were carrying bear spray. He said they remained in the area until police and wildlife officers arrived.

Another union official said the woman's co-workers blasted air horns to scare the bear away, but to no effect.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Endangered species

Whale carcass makes its way to Toronto museum

Researchers began carving up the decaying remains of a rare blue whale on Thursday as they prepare to ship the animal's massive skeleton from Newfoundland to a museum in Toronto.

The team started stripping blubber off the adult female that died with eight other blue whales in unusually thick ice off the province's west coast. The team will take apart the skeleton and load it into a container to be transported to the museum.

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Military was warned ahead of deadly Boko Haram attack: Locals

At least 50 killed.
Villagers criticize failure of security forces

South Africans protest against the abduction three weeks ago of hundreds of schoolgirls in Nigeria by Muslim extremist group Boko Haram and what protesters said was the failure of the Nigerian government to rescue them, during a march to the Nigerian Consulate in Johannesburg, South Africa, Thursday. BEN CURTIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Residents of a Nigerian town attacked by Boko Haram criticized security forces for failing to protect them despite warnings that the Islamic militants were nearby. At least 50 bodies have been recovered, many horribly burned, in the town.

The attack on Gamboru, in remote northeastern Nigeria near the border with Cameroon, is part of the Islamic militants' campaign of terror that included the kidnapping of teenaged girls from a school, 276 of whom remain missing and believed held by Boko Haram.

The death toll from the Monday afternoon attack in Gamboru was initially reported by a senator to be as many as 300, but a security official said it is more likely to be around 100. Some Gamboru residents said bodies were recovered from the debris of burned shops around the town's main market, which was the focus of the attack.

The bodies were found after the market reopened on Wednesday as health workers, volunteers and traders searched for missing people, said Gamboru resident Abuwar Masta.

Masta and other traders said that some villagers had warned the security forces of an impending attack after insurgents were seen camping in the bush near Gamboru.

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Missing girls

Equipment deal still in the works

Canada and Nigeria are still negotiating whether the African country will be getting Canadian military surveillance equipment to help in its search for nearly 300 kidnapped teenage girls.

The Harper government has offered to provide surveillance equipment, plus the military personnel to operate it, in an effort to help find the hundreds of teenaged girls abducted by the Boko Haram Islamic militant group last month.

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It's not a great climate for independent bookstores either — but there are some bucking the trend. Scan the photo below with your Metro News app to see a gallery of stores across Canada sharing their secrets to success.

Closing the book on old-fashioned browsing

Inside the now-closed World's Biggest Bookstore in Toronto. DAVID COOPER/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

A history of bookstores in Canada

1839

The Book Room opens in Halifax and is billed as Canada's first bookstore.

1940

Brothers Carl and Jack Cole open the first Coles Store in Toronto, marking the start of a small bookstore chain.

1995

SmithBooks (which used to be called W.H. Smith) and its main rival Coles merge to form Chapters Inc., marking the start of the nation's first book superstores.

1996

McNally Robinson opens in Winnipeg, described as Canada's largest independent bookstore

2001

Chapters and Indigo merge to create Canada's biggest bookstore chain, Indigo Books & Music Inc. Chapters.ca launches.

2002

Indigo's online rival Amazon.com, which launched in 1995, starts a Canadian version, Amazon.ca.

2008

The Book Room closes after 169 years in business, due to the increased competition from big-box stores.

2009

Indigo launches the Kobo e-reader to much fanfare.

2011

Kobo Inc. is sold to a Japanese firm for $315 million US.

2014

Indigo's The World's Biggest Bookstore and two Chapters stores close in Toronto.

The end of bookstores?

Whether indie or big box, Canadian stores are fighting for survival

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The Sarfraz family pulled into a dark, deserted mall parking lot.

As sunrise approached, Aisha Sarfraz, 8, was joined by other girls in a growing line outside the Indigo bookstore at Yorkdale Mall in Toronto. Just after 7 a.m., Sarfraz got to go behind the black velvet curtain. The girls (with mothers, fathers and brothers in tow) rushed past the books and into the new pink-and-white American Girl store within the Indigo.

"It was fun," said the fan.

The morning ended with another line at the register and a $941 receipt.

The price of the dolls, which start at $125, did not deter more than 5,000 people in Toronto and Vancouver from checking out Indigo CEO Heather Reisman's latest business gambit last weekend. While books become a harder sell, Canada's only national bookstore chain is stocking everything from dolls to Poppin office supplies to toasted coconut marshmallows. For fiscal 2013, its consolidated revenues slid 4.4 per cent to $892.5 million. Reisman is set to announce fiscal 2014 results on May 27.

They declined to comment for this story.

"They're obviously working out what they're going to evolve to," said Maureen Atkinson, a retail analyst at J.C. Williams Group. "Not everything they're testing will be a hit."

Back in 1995, U.S. bookstore giants Barnes & Noble and Borders Group planned to open superstores north of the border. Reisman was head of Cott Beverages, and was approached to lead Borders' bid. The plan was quashed, as it did not meet Canada's ownership policies for foreign booksellers. Borders filed for bankruptcy in 2011. Barnes & Noble's bid also failed and it is limping towards its 100th birthday in 2017.

Reisman, now 65, has proven to be remarkably resilient over the years. After the Borders deal crumbled she opened her first Indigo Books, Music & More store in 1997 in Burlington, Ont. By 2001 Indigo and Chapters merged, effectively giving the tastemaker a monopoly on Canada's book market.

Just like in the board game Monopoly (which you can now buy at Indigo) the dice mostly rolled in Reisman's favour. The superstore format was a hit with consumers and by the end of 2009 the savvy businesswoman had 96 superstores and 151 small-format stores, according to Indigo's financial reports.

But the game is changing. By the end of 2013, Indigo was down to 131 small stores. By the end of May it will have closed three superstores in Toronto this year, including the World's Biggest Bookstore. When a 22,000-square-foot Chapters store closed in Toronto in February, the founder pinned the closures partially on soaring rents. But that's only part of the tale.

"If you are in the book business you have to be online because that's where the customers are," said Atkinson.

Reisman has seen the writing on the wall. At least for now, physical paperback books are still the No. 1 choice for readers, making up 58 per cent of sales in 2012, followed by hardcovers at 24 per cent, according to BookNet, a non-profit that collects data on the industry. But many of those books are now bought online.

Indigo launched chapters.indigo.ca in 2001. In 2002 Amazon.ca, the Canadian version of Amazon.com, came along. Amazon is now the world's largest online retailer, with revenue of $74.5 billion US in 2013.

Selling online cuts overhead costs, but it is cut-throat. The "Heathers Kids Pick" The Day the Crayons Quit is $19 in Indigo stores, but $13.72 in the online store for Plum Rewards users — the same price as on Amazon.ca. Price-matching seems to be working. From Oct. to Dec. 2013, Indigo's online sales surged 19.3 per cent to a record $41.5 million, said a release. And then there's ebooks.

Indigo launched the e-reader Kobo to much fanfare in 2010. By the end of 2011 Kobo Inc. was sold for $315 million US. It's looking like a smart move as a 2013 BookNet study found the appetite has already plateaued at about 15 per cent. A Pew Research Center report shows 32 per cent of ebook readers read them on their phones, while 78 per cent of tablet owners read them on those devices.

But the competition for ebooks remains stiff. The Day the Crayons Quit is $11.99 for the Kobo edition, while Amazon.ca's Kindle version is $8.99.

The young Aisha is a bit old-fashioned. She still buys the real thing in person at Yorkdale's Indigo. Her mother and little brother usually tag along. The store is trying hard to appeal to mothers too, offering everything from Godiva chocolates to a 50-per-cent off sale this week on five books for Mother's Day. But Aisha's mother, Sarah, can't recall ever buying anything for herself.

"I'm not a reader, I'm a movie person," she said.

If Indigo is to make it to its 20-year anniversary and beyond it will have to find a way to get all those moms, dads and brothers who lined up alongside the girls for the American Girl store to buy something too.

Closures

What we lose

When Harry meets Sally again it is in the self-help section of a New York City bookstore.

In the rom-com classic Billy Crystal (Harry) and Meg Ryan (Sally) eventually live happily ever after, after bumping into each other at a Shakespeare & Co. store.

Whether you are looking to pick up a book or a long-lost lover, when we lose bookstores we lose the possibility of running into an old friend, or making a new one, between the book stacks.

The bestselling fantasy writer and bookstore fanatic Guy Gavriel Kay recently lost his favourite local haunt, Book City. He would often pop in to see what would pop up and tickle his fancy.

Aisha Sarfraz, 8, waits in line outside an Indigo shop in Toronto. CONTRIBUTED

Hopping online is just not the same.

If the 1989 flick was set in 2014 perhaps Sally would have popped up on Harry's Twitter feed. Perhaps he would have just scrolled right past her.

"A lot of our culture today narrows us to our own online community of shared tastes and views. A bookstore is wide open and that helps make us wider and more open," writes Kay over email.

"We risk losing that as bookstores close."

Tim Hortons takes a swing at Ronald McDonald

New items coming.
The coffee and doughnut chain wants to eat into other fast-food franchises' lunch by serving up more midday options

The iconic coffee and doughnut chain aims to lure you back after your morning cup of Joe with lunch options that rival other fast-food chains' offerings. FACEBOOK

Tim Hortons chief executive Marc Caira says he wants the chain to be a priority for Canadians at the lunch hour.

The CEO said Thursday that he's determined to make the company the lunchtime leader among quick-food outlets through its growing variety of sandwiches, grilled paninis and other offerings.

"In this low-growth era you need to aggressively go after these segments because there's potential to grow," he said in an interview after the company's shareholders meeting.

Caira said the recent launch of its crispy chicken sandwich is helping the company achieve the goal of presenting itself as an alternative to its biggest competitors, which include McDonald's and Burger King.

At the same time, Caira wants to focus more on nutrition, emphasizing that his company's chicken sandwich contains more protein and less fat than comparable offerings.

"Our responsibility is to make the product as healthy as possible and provide you the information to help you make the right decision," he said. "It's very easy to make (a) donut really, really healthy. The problem is you wouldn't buy it because there's no taste." Caira said the national coffee and doughnut chain needs to move faster to test and launch food items as it faces off against aggressive competitors. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Messaging app

Snapchat settles with FTC over false privacy claims

Snapchat has agreed to settle with the U.S. Federal Trade Commission over charges that it deceived customers about the disappearing nature of messages sent through its service and that it collected users' contacts without telling them or asking permission.

The messaging app lets users send pics, videos and messages that disappear.

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Breakfast of champions

How about a BK Whopper to start your day off right?

Burger King has some new additions to its breakfast menu in the U.S. — its flame-broiled burgers.

The Burgers at Breakfast menu includes its Whoppers, Cheeseburgers and Big King sandwiches, as well as its Original Chicken Sandwich, french fries and apple pie. The items are offered alongside the chain's normal breakfast menu.

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Nothing artificial?

Turns out Kashi products not 'All Natural' after all

Kellogg says it will no longer use the All Natural or Nothing Artificial labels on certain Kashi products as part of an agreement to settle a class-action lawsuit.

The suit accused Kashi of misleading people by stamping the phrase "All Natural "or "Nothing Artificial" on products that contained a variety of synthetic and artificial ingredients.

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THE METRO LIST

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1 **Keep on Tweetin'.** Twitter stock plummeted to record lows this week when it was revealed that the social media monster fell far short of projected growth. Is it ironic that this was one of the top trending news items on Twitter?

2 **Best of 'gluck.** Thailand's prime minister, Yingluck Shinawatra, was ousted from office by the Constitutional Court in Bangkok this week. The claim is that of alleged "abuse of power" which is not only controversial, but makes me wonder if we're even still talking about politics.

3 **Missing Mayor.** I never thought I'd see the day when we'd be looking for Rob Ford, let alone that he would be hard to find.

4 **High praise.** Pope Francis decided to wing it in his Palm Sunday homily, calling on people to look into their own hearts to see how they're living and then into their phones to snap them some selfies. He then hopped on the pope-mobile, pointed, winked, and said "Keep it real, homies." #OMGCoolestPopeEver

5 **Northern bliss.** Canada ranked fifth on the Better Life Index based on a survey of what people believe to be the "most important factors for quality of life." Countries ahead of us included Denmark, Sweden and Norway, leading me to believe that the "most important factors" are skiing, bobsledding, and hockey.

6 **#VegasBaby.** Ben Affleck won so much money on Black Jack that he was banned by the Hard Rock Casino for allegedly counting cards. This, in my opinion, is an impressive skill for which the victor deserves the spoils. Know anyone who's been banned for losing too much? Think about it while I go play basketball against eight-year-olds for money.

7 **Sound of music.** It's Canadian Music Week in Toronto. Great time to witness amazing burgeoning talent from other parts of the country and beyond. When I hear American divas complain about not making enough money and playing half-empty venues, I always say, "There are starving artists in Canada who would kill to have what you have!" And we laugh. Then I think about it, and it's actually not that funny. #CMW2014

8 **Cold truth.** Our nation's only current NHL playoff team is Montreal, but many Canucks seem unwilling to support "les Canadiens," and I believe that Lord Stanley would be turning over in his silver-plated grave. The Parti Québécois lost the election. The least we can do is cheer for the Habs because the closest the rest of us will get to a championship is eating a Stanley Cup doughnut at Tim Hortons. #GoHabsGo

9 **Shattered (hoop) dreams.** The Toronto Raptors, who had come so far, fell just one point short of advancing to the second round on Sunday. On the bright side, the Brooklyn Nets suffered a humiliating defeat at the hands of the Miami Heat. That shouldn't make me feel any better, but somehow it just does.

ZOOM

Yes, I do have a frog in my throat

This is not the first time Angus James saved a frog from peril. "Funnily enough, when I was a kid one of my fondest memories is of saving tree frogs by picking them up off the road and into a bucket. Then I'd release them into the safety of the bush," he said. COURTESY ANGUS JAMES

Q&A

Avoiding croaking in the jaws of death

Meet the perch that literally had a frog in its throat. Angler Angus James was left gobsmacked when he discovered a green tree frog inside the mouth of the fish he caught in northern Queensland, Australia. James tells Metro about the moment when he realized something fishy was going on.

The frog had just survived being eaten and you had just pulled off this amazing catch, so who had the bigger smile? We both had pretty big smiles but I reckon his was bigger after he'd jumped out of the fish's mouth.

It looks like the frog was hitching a jaw-side ride. But what actually happened? The perch must have just eaten the frog like a minute before I caught it. Normally fish like that go for smaller insects but maybe he was stocking up.

When did you realize that you'd caught a 2-for-1? I wasn't sure what it was at first — it looked like a splodge of green. Then as I was removing the lure from the perch's mouth, the frog blinked. That's when I noticed what it was, and I quickly reached for my camera before it leapt over my shoulder.

You must have cat-like reactions to have managed to get your camera out in time. I used to be in the military, so I reckon the training kicked in. I whipped the camera out of my webbing (bag) and took the pic. But it wasn't till later that I realized just how funny the smiling frog looked.

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Drop the needle

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You've likely heard a freshly inked pal describe the addictive nature of getting tattooed, that the first design often kicks off a yearning for the next session in the chair.

They may have also mentioned that the feeling fades in due course. But, if you happen to have a loved one in your life who you think might be ready to go a little overboard with the tats, perhaps this extremely slow motion clip of the messy, jiggly ordeal will provide a little perspective. Unless the pain is part of the pleasure, that is. (Via Tatted Up)

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It's all good in the 'hood

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

Neighbors opens in theatres this weekend. CONTRIBUTED

Synopsis

Seth Rogen and Rose Byrne star as Mac and Kelly, aging hipsters and parents to newborn Stella. Their quiet suburban life is uprooted when unruly frat boys led by Teddy (Zac Efron) and Pete (Dave Franco) move in next door. "Make sure that if we're too noisy, call me," says Teddy on the eve of a big blowout. "Don't call the cops." When the house party spirals out of control, the couple has to call the police, thereby violating the fragile "circle of trust" between the two households. Trust broken, petty resentments trigger a Hatfield and McCoy's style feud between Teddy and Company and Mac and Kelly.

- Richard: ●●●●○
- Mark: ●●●○○

Neighbors. Frat boy humour is always funny — but Seth Rogen and Rose Byrne bring some maturity to the fold

Richard: Mark, there's an old saying that goes, "You can choose your friends, but you can't choose your family." True enough, but as this movie teaches us, you should add neighbours to the "cannot choose" list. Living next door to the frat boys would be a nightmare in real life, but in reel life, it's a great situation for humour. The movie is not so much a story as it is an idea played out in a series of gags, but it is funny. Raunchy, but funny.

Mark: Also a movie that would have us believe there are no zoning bylaws in this fictitious college town. And Richard, I half agree with you. There are two movies here. One is the story of a young married couple with a baby; the other, the story of a bunch of frat-house goofs. The former is extremely funny: Seth Rogen and Rose Byrne have a comedic chemistry as good as any great vaudeville duo. The frat boys, unfortunately, are mostly indistinguishable and their scenes made me long for Animal House. Why cast the wonderful Christopher Mintz-Plasse and give him so little to do?

RC: I wondered that as well, but let's face it, in the frat house side of things, Efron's abs are the star. And his hair. And toothy grin. No room for the less physical charms of Mintz-Plasse. The real charm here, though, as you say, lies with Rogen and Byrne. They have great chemistry, and are a natural match — like frat boys and bongs. Their story doesn't hinge on the war with the neighbours, however, as much as it does the way they battle against growing up. Their need to be thought of as cool while still being responsible adults, is very funny and adds a nice subtext to what could have been simply a very silly comedy.

MB: And in this way, the movie could be seen as a sequel to Knocked Up. Both films deal with Rogen as a dad and a late bloomer to maturity. Neighbours wouldn't be nearly as successful if the couple were older or stuffier. It hits the right note of them being almost young enough to take part in frat-house shenanigans, but not with the responsibility of a newborn. As a recent first-time dad, I can tell you they got all those jokes right. But, Richard, I still laughed the hardest at some of the physical stuff. The airbag sequence is bound to be a classic.

RC: The airbag gags made me laugh, for sure, but the real treat for me was watching Rose Byrne, in her natural Aussie accent, outcursing and outdoing Rogen with razor-sharp comic timing.

MB: Or check out her seduction scene of two frat kids — one male, one female — which will get an applause break from the audience every time!

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Comedy

Moms' Night Out

Director. Andrew Erwin (II) , Jon Erwin

Stars. Patricia Heaton, Sarah Drew

All Allyson and her friends want is a peaceful, grown-up evening of dinner and conversation — a long-needed moms' night out. But in order to enjoy high heels, adult conversation and food not served in a paper bag, they need their husbands to watch the kids for three hours ...What could go wrong?

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: 21 % **Audience:** 88%

Family

Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return

Director. Dan St. Pierre , Will Finn

Stars. Lea Michele, Jim Belushi

Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return is a 3D-animated musical based on the adventure books by Roger Stanton Baum, the great-grandson of L. Frank Baum. A continuation of one of the world's most popular and beloved fairy tales, Legends of Oz finds Dorothy (Lea Michele) waking to post-tornado Kansas, only to be whisked back to Oz to try to save her old friends.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: 0% **Audience:** 75 %

Get set for a leaner and meaner Godzilla

Return of the reptile. New Godzilla pays homage to the nightmare of the film that started it all

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Godzilla opens in theatres next Friday. CONTRIBUTED

Sixty years ago, a reptilian nightmare was birthed from the bowels of Tokyo to lay waste to everything in its path, roaring like atomic death and sending Japan into a pop culture swoon. The film was 1954's Gojira, shipped to the U.S., dubbed, padded with footage of character actor Raymond (Perry Mason) Burr looking concerned and re-titled Godzilla. Sequel followed sequel, new monsters were introduced and a global phenomenon that spanned generations and multiple-medias evolved, its scaly, iconic shadow still looming large.

And now, Legendary Pictures and British director Gareth Edwards have revived the Big G legacy anew for their hotly anticipated American remount. And though the filmmaker admits to a life-long love of 'Zilla flicks, nothing could properly prepare him for the myth he would end up inheriting.

"My first experience watching a Godzilla movie was when I was still at school," Edwards, whose previous film was the innovative indie hit Monsters.

"But I only saw the original black-and-white version when I was in my 30s after the British Film Institute rereleased the film on DVD. I had actually been watching it a few days before I got the call from my agent. He asked if I was sitting down, so I did. They then asked 'Legendary have called and asked if you'd be interested in Godzilla?' After that, I made a point of tracking all 28 of the films down and completing my collection. I even bought the Hanna-Barbera Cartoon — that how keen I was to be a good student!"

Anyone who has seen the spine-shaking theatrical trailer for Edwards' Godzilla redux knows that Edwards and company are not fooling around. This isn't a mere man-in-a-suit Toho Studios 'Zilla romp, nor is it the smarmy, dumbed-down-dino opus of the 1998 Roland Emmerich fiasco. This Godzilla is a nightmare, akin to the original film. A tale of human folly answered by the apocalypse in the form of a massive prehistoric force of destructive nature. In short, this is a horror movie. And yet, Edwards promises not to sacrifice the story's humanity in favour of numbing shock.

"I think all filmmaking is about finding the right balance between things," notes the director.

"The spectacle is pointless if you don't care about the outcome, but if we focus purely on the characters then it would make for a very frustrating Godzilla movie. From my point of view, the films that got this right like Jaws, Alien and Jurassic Park, have great characters that you really grow to care about whilst they're slowly pulled in deeper and deeper into the situation. If you actually sit and analyze these films, the real monsters don't turn up for about an hour, but it never feels that way because you're so invested in what is happening at every turn."

If Godzilla does well at the box office, there will no doubt be more films to follow. And if it doesn't? Well, there will likely still be more, such is the enduring appeal of the character and what it represents, as Edwards explains.

"I think for millions of years we've lived as part of nature where every day there was the constant threat that an animal would come and kill our loved ones or attack our cave. It's only in the last few generations that we live in cities and have pushed nature out, but that fear of the animal coming doesn't go away.

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Godzilla director Gareth Edwards on our fear of giant creatures

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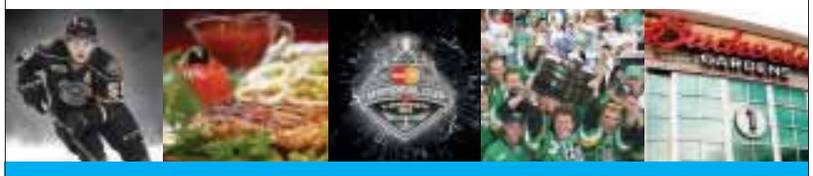

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

Willow Smith and Moises Arias INSTAGRAM

Cool mom Jada OK with Willow's bedroom photo

Willow Smith's mom, Jada Pinkett-Smith, has strong feelings about photos of her 13-year-old daughter in bed with an adult man: She's strongly cool with it. Pictures surfaced earlier this week of Willow Smith in bed with her friend, 20-year-old Moises Arias. It's not as bad as it sounds at first blush: Willow's fully clothed (though Arias is shirtless) and they don't appear to be touching. But we're still talking a kid in bed with a grown man, which was enough to make the Internet uncomfortable.

Willow's mom Jada, though, says the pic is fine. "Here's the deal: There was nothing sexual about that picture or that situation," the actress told TMZ. "You guys are projecting your trash onto it, and you're acting like covert pedophiles, and that's not cool."

Indeed, a look at Arias' website reveals that this pic is nothing special: He's got tons of shots of his friends, and pretty much never wears a shirt.

'People are going to get sick of me,' says J-Law

Jennifer Lawrence GETTY IMAGES

Jennifer Lawrence tries to ignore most of the stuff written about her, but she's not completely immune. "The first thing I'm doing after I leave this interview is Googling 'Jennifer Lawrence backlash,'" she tells Marie Claire. "Nobody can stay beloved forever. I never believed it, the whole time. I was like, 'Just wait. People are going to get sick of me.' My picture is everywhere, my interviews are everywhere. It's something I always tell myself: 'You need to calm the f— down. You don't want to constantly be a GIF.'"

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Meeting Justin Bieber was superbad, Seth Rogen says

MELINDA TAUB
Metro World News

It's on: Seth Rogen has become one of the first celebrities to call Justin Bieber out on his crap.

The comedian says his Bieber-related distaste goes back to the early days of Bieber fever. Bieber and Rogen were both backstage at a German talk show when word came that the singer had requested to meet the comedian. "I was like, 'Sure, I'll meet him,'" Rogen told Howard Stern.

"So I went outside to meet him and he was acting like I asked to meet HIM! It was very nonchalant, 'Yo man. What's up?' and I was like, 'What the f—, I don't give a f— about (you), I don't want to meet you. Don't act all nonplussed to meet me. I didn't want to meet you. I was totally cool not meeting you ... But I was like, fine, I wouldn't have said anything, I was like, 'He's a bit of a motherf—er.'"

Yesterday, Bieber responded via Twitter, casting the incident in a somewhat different light: "Seth Rogan (sic) sorry I didnt (sic) bow down when I asked 2 meet u was probably a bit shy and didn't want to be over the top but still. love ur movies."

Aww. I might be inclined to believe that he was just shy, if I hadn't heard literally dozens of stories of him acting like a rude little punk.

Angelina Jolie GETTY IMAGES

Angelina never thought she'd find happily ever after

Angelina Jolie admits that her thriving home life with Brad Pitt and their six kids comes as something of a surprise to her. "I never thought I'd have children, I never thought I'd be in love, I never thought I'd meet the right person," she tells Elle magazine. "Having come from a broken home, you kind of accept that certain things feel like a fairy tale, and you just don't look for them." Maybe that explains some of Jolie's wilder behaviour in her 20s, actions she insists were "misinterpreted as (me) wanting to be rebellious," she says. "And in fact it wasn't a need to be destructive or rebellious. It's that need to find a full voice, to push open the walls around you. You want to be free. And as you start to feel that you are being corralled into a certain life, you kind of push against it. It may come out very strange, it may be interpreted wrong, but you're trying to find out who you are."

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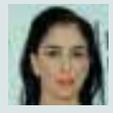
It's shocking how many professional journalists ask to take selfies with me.



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There's never a dull moment when you have dinner with an Aussie winemaker. When Neil McGuigan is at your table you can multiply the fun by at least 1,000. I met up with him earlier this week in Halifax at the Agricola Street Brasserie — the city's hottest new resto. The first time we shared a glass, it was on his home turf in New South Wales's beautiful Hunter Valley.

McGuigan's got a lot to be happy about. He makes the best-selling red in Australia and has been named Winemaker of the Year by the U.K.'s prestigious International Wine & Spirit Competition three times.

Here in Canada he's best known for championing the versatility of the white sémillon grape and creating bright, easy-drinking wines that pour well above their price point.

The 2012 McGuigan Black Label Shiraz ($10.99) is a mini fruit bomb with ripe berry flavours, smooth tannins and a juicy finish. It's got enough body to fight it out with grilled meats, yet is playful enough to wash down barbecued hamburgers and hotdogs. **PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**

This Mother's Day, treat her to a sophisticated brunch. Annabel Langbein, who brings good food into today's fast-paced world, shows us a recipe from her cookbook The Free Range Cook that is sure to wow the woman whose cooking you grew up on.

Only the best for Mom: Twice Baked Whitebait Soufflés

THE FREE RANGE COOK
Annabel Langbein
gustotv.com

1. Preheat oven to 180 C. Generously butter six 1 cup ramekins and put in fridge to chill.

2. In a medium saucepan, melt the butter until sizzling but not browned. Stir in the flour and cook, stirring, for about 2 minutes until the mixture forms a smooth paste. Whisk in the milk, nutmeg, salt and pepper and lemon zest and bring back to a boil, stirring constantly, until the sauce thickens.

3. Add lemon juice and whisk until smooth. Remove from heat and beat in egg yolks one at a time. Taste for seasoning — it should taste highly seasoned. Fold through whitebait or smoked salmon and herbs.

4. Place egg whites in a clean, dry bowl and beat until they form soft peaks. Add one quarter of the egg whites to the whitebait mixture and stir until well mixed. Then fold the remaining egg whites gently through the mixture.

5. Fill the buttered ramekins to the top, then run your thumb around the inside edge of the dishes so the soufflés puff evenly. Set the ramekins in a deep roasting dish and pour boiling water around them until it comes about halfway up the sides of the dishes. This water bath will help the soufflés cook evenly. Bake until they are lightly puffed, browned and just set in the centre – about 15-20 minutes. (The soufflés can be cooked right through at this point if you prefer. Cook for about 20-25 minutes total.)

6. Remove soufflés from oven and the water bath and leave to cool. They can be covered and refrigerated for up to 2 days. When you are ready to serve them, preheat oven to 220 C. Pour 1 tbsp of cream over each soufflé. Place on a tray and cook until they are risen, crusty and golden — about 12 minutes from refrigerated. **WATCH THE ANNABEL LANGBEIN FREE RANGE COOK MONDAY TO THURSDAY AT 5:30 P.M. EST, STARTING APRIL 28 ON GUSTO TV, CANADA'S NEW FOOD & LIFESTYLE CHANNEL. VISIT GUSTOTV.COM FOR FULL PROGRAM LINE-UP AND MORE GREAT RECIPE IDEAS.**

Ingredients

- 50 g butter, plus extra to butter ramekins or cups
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1 3/4 cups milk
- pinch of ground nutmeg
- 1 tsp salt
- generous shake of white pepper
- finely grated zest of 1 lemon
- 4 tbsp lemon juice
- 5 egg yolks
- 1 cup whitebait or 1 cup finely chopped smoked salmon
- 2 tbsp finely chopped soft herbs such as basil
- 5 egg whites

To finish

- 6 tbsp cream

This recipe serves six. ANNABEL LANGBEIN

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Cures to 3 common backyard woes

Yard acts to follow.
A little lattice, some water and a raised bed are simply remedies for the backyard blues

Backyard trends may come and go but some yard headaches will never go away. While there will always be tasks like grass cutting that have to be done, there are common backyard problems that can be solved once and for all. Tackling any of these three dilemmas will be a vital step towards achieving backyard perfection.

Problem: AC unit sticks out like a sore thumb

Solution: That AC unit isn't going anywhere, so the best solution is to camouflage it as best as possible. A simple lattice screen around the unsightly box will do wonders to eliminate the eyesore, and you can even plant some growing vines at the base to further hide the unit. Make sure to leave room around it for proper airflow and to trim any plants regularly to keep your AC working all summer long.

Desperate Landscapes

For more advice on how to make your backyard the envy of the neighbourhood, tune in to Desperate Landscapes, Thursdays at 10 p.m. ET/PT on DIY Network Canada.

Problem: City and car noise ruins the backyard Zen factor

Solution: Ponds and fountains are more than just eye candy. They provide a soothing sound that is not only relaxing but will help drown out traffic noise or other city racket. Don't focus too much on the fountain's size, but where it will be placed. Even a small waterfall can be effective if it's placed close to a popular seating area. Depending on the setup and location, it may be necessary to have an electrician install an outdoor outlet for the pump.

Problem: Kids and pets are trampling the garden

Solution: Allowing kids and pets to enjoy the yard shouldn't mean the destruction of a manicured garden or luscious vegetable patch. To keep your hard work from being damaged by an exercising dog or an errant soccer ball, create a raised flower bed a few feet off the ground. Whether using bricks or wood as the frame, this project can be completed on the weekend with no previous DIY experience, and it doesn't require any expensive tools.

Turn on the waterworks

Ponds and fountains are more than just eye candy. They provide a soothing sound that is not only relaxing but will help drown out traffic noise and other city rackets.

Even a small fountain or waterfall can turn a noisy yard into a Zen garden. ISTOCK

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‘Benny’ leads 2014 class of inductees

London Sports Hall of Fame. Benjamin known for heading parks, recreation dept.

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It was only fitting that the man who was a major influence on London sports for close to 20 years was finally named to the city’s hall of fame.

Ken Benjamin, who was the top dog at the London parks and recreation department from 1974 until he took an early retirement in 1992, was one of eight individual and team inductees into the London Sports Hall of Fame class of 2014 announced Thursday.

The hall of fame, now in its 13th year, will formerly honour its inductees at the Hall of Fame and Spirit of Sport event Nov. 6 at the Carousel Room, Western Fair District.

Benjamin, 81, worked for the city for 24 years and the years he ran the then-called PUC recreation department were legendary.

He and his team did all the scheduling for city arenas and ball diamonds and were generally a one-stop shop for minor and adult sports. Most of their offices were based in the arenas.

He was known for his ideas, and the bigger event the better. The World’s Largest Fastball and Slo-Pitch tournament was a Benjamin creation that maxed out at 334 teams during one of its 12 years.

And 600 more teams played slo-pitch in the middle of winter all over the city, again for 12 years.

He managed three Intercounty Baseball League teams, took two teams to national championships in baseball and slo-pitch and was just a self-described “little old schmuck doing a job.”

And for all that, the man they call Benny is now a Hall of Famer.

London rower Adam Kreek, right, was one of the London Sports Hall of Fame inductees announced Thursday. Here, the men’s eight gold medallists from the Beijing Olympics are welcomed back to Canada in August 2008. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

This year’s inductees

Ken Benjamin
- Intercounty Baseball League all-star manager five times with Listowel, Brantford and London
- Managed Ontario to Canada Games baseball championship in 1969 and 1990 national slo-pitch over-35 championship

Frank Carson (Athlete legend)
- Original No. 9 with the Red Wings, played 16 NHL seasons.
- Won Stanley Cup in 1926 with Montreal Maroons
- With teammate Howie Morenz, won OHA junior title in 1921.

Marcia King Goos (Athlete Modern)
- Two-time Olympian (1988 and 1992), capturing silver medal in Taekwondo in 1992.
- Won gold medal in 1990 Pan-Am championships and 1989 World Games; won silver medal in 1992 Pan-Am championships and 1989 world championships.

Frank Hawley (Athlete/Builder modern)
- Two-time world champion drag racer.
- Winner of seven NHRA Funny Car and two Top Fuel national events.
- Named to NHRA’s top driver list, 1951-2000.

Andy Gilpin (Athlete legend)
- Winner of world and Olympic hockey gold medals in 1948 with RCAF Flyers.

Adam Kreek
- Gold-medal winner in men’s rowing eights at 2008 Beijing Olympics; 2002, 2003, 2007 world championships; six World Cup events.

Lou Ball Juniors
- Won Ontario Baseball Association junior championships in 1951, 1952; Junior Intercounty and district intermediate league championships.

Tim Tindale
- Won Hec Crighton Trophy as top Canadian university football player in 1991, 1993 with Western.
- Only London-born athlete to score an NFL touchdown, with Buffalo Bills.
- Played four years with the Bills (1994-97) and Chicago Bears (1998).

Attacked at sea

Alouettes GM’s wife bit by shark

The wife of Montreal Alouettes general manager Jim Popp is recovering after being bit by a shark.

Popp posted pictures of his wife, Kim, with a stitched-up foot and punctured ankle after she was attacked by a shark during a vacation at Hilton Head Island, S.C.

“My Super Hero wife Kim, mother of 6, sweet as honey, tougher than steel. Bit by shark in HHI. Odds: 1 in 11.5 million,” Popp posted on a Twitter account with the handle @BigDaddyMville, which the Alouettes confirmed as his. THE CANADIAN PRESS

World Cup

8th construction worker dead

A worker at a World Cup stadium in Brazil died Thursday in an electrical accident, temporarily interrupting construction at one of the most-delayed venues only five weeks before the soccer tournament.

He was reported dead more than half an hour after the incident from a cardiorespiratory arrest.

The man is the eighth worker to die in accidents during the construction of stadiums for the World Cup. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quinn Smith

CFL draft prospect tests positive for banned substance

Concordia defensive lineman Quinn Smith, a top prospect for next week’s CFL draft, admitted Thursday he tested positive for a banned substance.

Smith, who raised eyebrows at the CFL combine in March with his ability on both sides of the ball, confirmed in a statement he tested positive for the anabolic steroid stanozolol prior to auditioning for league officials. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quinn Smith THE CANADIAN PRESS

Battle of the old college buddies goes to Astros' starter

MLB. Detroit's 8-game winning streak ends with 6-2 loss to Houston

Drew Smyly GETTY IMAGES

Dallas Keuchel won this matchup of old college roommates — then admitted he hadn't paid much attention to his friend-turned-adversary on the mound.

Keuchel outpitched Drew Smyly, and the Houston Astros beat Detroit 6-2 on Thursday to snap the Tigers' eight-game winning streak. Keuchel and Smyly both pitched for the Arkansas team that reached the College World Series in 2009, but on this day, Keuchel had more important concerns than watching his fellow lefthander throw.

"I honestly didn't see a single pitch from him," Keuchel said. "I was in the tunnel. It was kind of hot today for Detroit right now, and I was just trying to stay cool as much as possible."

Keuchel (3-2) allowed two runs and six hits in 7 2-3 innings, and Houston ended its five-game losing streak.

The Astros broke through with three runs in the fifth off Smyly (2-2) to take the lead.

Houston's George Springer, a first-round draft pick in 2011, hit his first major league homer. Carlos Corporan and Matt Dominguez also went deep for the Astros.

Victor Martinez homered for the Tigers.

Smyly allowed only one hit — an infield single — through the first four innings, but his outing took a turn for the worse in the fifth when Springer lined a one-out solo homer over the wall in right.

Smyly allowed three runs and five hits in 5 1-3 innings. He struck out two and walked three. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kaymer hitting the pin

Martin Kaymer of Germany lines up a putt with caddie Craig Connelly on the second hole at the Players Championship on Thursday in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida. Kaymer finished atop the leaderboard after Round 1 at -9. Scan the above image with your Metro News app to view a gallery of opening-round action. RICHARD HEATHCOTE/GETTY IMAGES

NBA scandal

Mrs. Sterling will fight for her half of Clippers: Lawyer

An attorney representing the estranged wife of Los Angeles Clippers owner Donald Sterling says she will fight to retain her 50 per cent ownership stake in the team.

Donald Sterling and his estranged wife Shelly THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Attorney Pierce O'Donnell also told The Associated Press that Shelly Sterling has been separated from her husband for the last year and is considering divorce.

Last week, NBA Commissioner Adam Silver banned Donald Sterling from the NBA for life and urged league owners to force him to sell the team. The move came after a recording surfaced in which Sterling made racist comments. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
You may think you know what motivates someone but the planets warn you have it wrong, and that could be dangerous. In your personal life and at work you are advised not to jump to conclusions today — or any day.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
You may believe that if you don't act soon your big chance will pass but it isn't true. The sense of urgency you feel is an illusion and what happens over the next three days will prove it.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
You know there is a flaw in your plans but you are tempted to ignore it. If you push ahead regardless, you are sure to regret it. Work out where it is you have gone wrong first.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
What you hear today may annoy you but is it worth getting worked up about? If you allow yourself to get angry over what others say, they will have succeeded in their aim.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Make sure you do not commit yourself to anything you cannot back out of later. Most times your instincts can be trusted but this may be the one time when they let you down.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Don't change anything for the sake of it today because you will only have to change it back again later. It might be better to stick with what you know about, even if it is not what you want. Wait and see what the weekend brings.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You should expect some deception over the next 24 hours, even from people you think you can trust. Don't hold grudges against people who let you down. It happens.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
It does not matter how convinced you may be that you are in the right and others are in the wrong. You won't get far if you insist they come round to your way of thinking. Look for a compromise solution.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You will be caught off by something you did not expect today. You have taken certain things for granted when you had no reason to do so. Admit you made a mistake and do what you can to put it right.

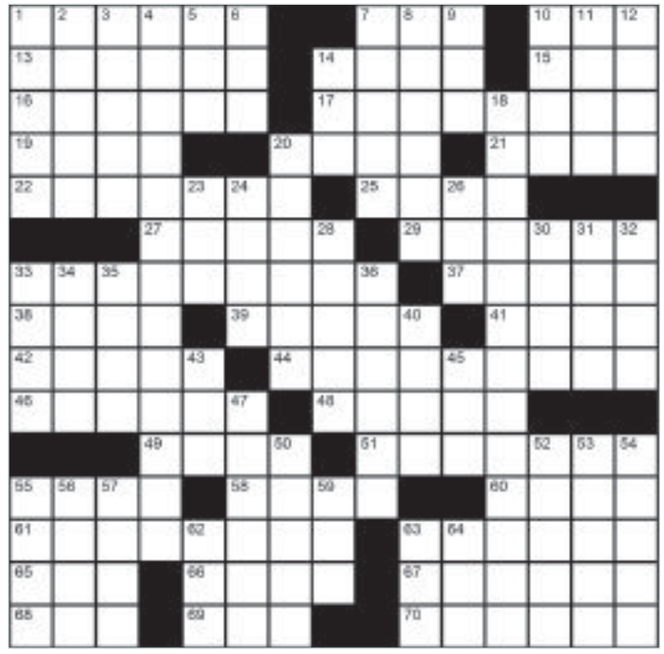
♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Do what you can to bring people together today but if it proves too tough a task just back off and let them fight it out. Do not get involved on a personal level yourself. If you choose sides you'll be the loser.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Make sure you have all the facts because it is the only way you can be certain you are not being deceived. The planets warn that unscrupulous people won't hesitate to cheat you.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Current cosmic activity endows you with self-confidence but the downside is you might start thinking you cannot fail. Apply common sense to everything you do today. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.
BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



Across
1. 1982 Clash hit: "Rock the __"
7. Weight's stat. pal
10. Inclined
13. Bind
14. Actress Rooney
15. Mai __ (Cocktail)
16. __ card
17. Lynn __ ("Chopped Canada" celebrity chef)
19. Ms. Spelling
20. See #8-Down
21. Church part
22. '60s bossa nova hit: "The Girl from __"
25. Barber's target
27. CBC chef, Stefano __
29. Shania Twain's "From This __ On"
33. _.__. __ (Toronto-born actor who plays Dr. Tom Reycraft on CTV's "Saving Hope")
37. More dry
38. Winged
39. "I'm going __ __." ...stated the afternoon social attendee
41. Respiratory rattle
42. Inclines
44. Ontario village; or, city in England
46. Computer keyboard users
48. Formula
49. Botanist Mr. Gray's
51. Monarch's trappings
55. "Highway to Hell" group
58. Competes
60. Divide
61. Canadian actress Rachel Blanchard played Cher Horowitz on the TV version of what 1995 movie?
63. Bring along: 2 wds.
65. "El __" (1961)
66. Yeses: French
67. "Undone - The Sweater Song" band
68. Fasten
69. Windows-using PCs pre-Vistas
70. Gawking, say

Down
1. Mojave plants
2. _ __ in the bucket
3. "__-__: Princess of Power" ('80s cartoon series)
4. May 1969: John Lennon and Yoko Ono's happening at Montreal's Queen Elizabeth Hotel: 3 wds.
5. Jackie's '68 groom
6. __ up (Riled)
7. Abrasive
8. Neil Young's ex-Hollies bandmate (First name here, surname at #20-Across)
9. Tweety Bird's 'spotted'
10. Above
11. Golfer's norms
12. Surfer's interest
14. Beastie Boys member
18. Straight-from-the-source fresh produce outlet: 2 wds.
20. Canada, for one
23. 'Ether' suffix (Airy/delicate)
24. Jazz musician Mr. Jackson
26. Apple devices platform
28. Poker stakes
30. 'E' in QED
31. Ms. Carter
32. Birch __
33. Go-__ (Fun vehicle)
34. Ceramics material
35. Use a tent
36. Seamstresses
40. Cottage owner's plot
43. 2014 HS grads
45. Summer mo.
47. Routinely set money aside: 2 wds.
50. Yes yeses ...in Spanish: 2 wds.
52. Broadcaster Ms. Gibbons
53. Lay to rest
54. Love
55. Invoice abbr.
56. Gladiator's 152
57. Guy
59. 'Lion' suffix
62. Deli serving
63. Ex-airline
64. Old Rome bronze money

Yesterday's Crossword

Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

3				5				9
	9				8	3	4	
	6		9	1				
	4					6		
6		5				4		3
		2					8	
				2	6		7	
	7	8	3				1	
1				4				5

Yesterday's Sudoku

5	9	6	3	8	1	4	2	7
2	7	1	4	5	6	8	9	3
4	3	8	9	7	2	1	6	5
1	8	5	6	3	9	7	4	2
6	4	9	5	2	7	3	1	8
3	2	7	1	4	8	9	5	6
9	5	2	7	1	3	6	8	4
7	6	4	8	9	5	2	3	1
8	1	3	2	6	4	5	7	9

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